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Thank you for your help in advance. Best, Bettina

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From: Jen@mu [jen@malibuunites.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 12:47 PM Eastern Standard Time
To:
Subject: New High PCB results turned over to LA District Attorney

Things are escalating in Malibu and we could use your support and assistance. Students and teachers are sitting in classrooms with up to 370,000 ppm of Pcb's, that's over 7000 times the legal limit. There are pregnant teachers sitting in toxic classrooms. There are young children with developing brains and bodies being exposed to toxic chemicals that can change their health forever.

The district has gone as far as threatening truancy proceedings to any child whose parent refuses to allow them into toxic classrooms, ones that have significantly violated the law and been found to contain PCBs in the exposure pathways of air and dust in addition to high levels in the source caulking. The superintendent has escorted a parent and a six-year-old off-campus because her mother refuses to allow her in a room that violates both federal law and the EPA threshold for health. She is threatened the six-year-old with explosion. The teachers and the principal's have been threatened with their jobs if they speak out against the district's plan to continue their PR that the school is safe. If teachers refuse to go back into their toxic classrooms they will be fired. The school district is barricading itself against potential civil liability rather than in protection of the children and teachers.

At what point will a government official or government agency stand up to the school district who seems to not have anyone overseeing their negligent actions? How many generations of children and teachers have to be exposed to cancerous PCBs before our elected officials step in and stand up for their rights?

Please help us stop this endless cycle of toxic exposure to a chemical that was banned more than 30 years ago. A law that reads PBBs pose an unacceptable risk to human health and the environment based on substantial scientific data. Why the district or the EPA is arguing the safety of PCBs is alarming in itself.

Congress has acted the toxic substance control act and banned PCBs specifically because of their danger to human health and the environment, it is all of our jobs to ensure enforcement of that law and that our children and our teachers in all schools are not exposed unnecessarily to PCBs, especially in concentrations over 7000 times the legal limit.

Let's take swift action and protect those in immediate danger and work towards a statewide plan to test and protect all students and all teachers from unnecessary PCB exposure. Let's work towards PCB – free schools!

We look forward to your comments and suggestions.

Respectfully,
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http://patch.com/california/malibu/groups-take-their-concern-about-toxic-schools-da-0?utm_source=newsletter-daily&utm_medium=email&utm_term=schools&utm_campaign=newsletter#.VCLwX4pHaJJ

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